Information Technology Resource Management Council (ITRMC)

Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes: October 18, 2012

(Approved December 20, 2012)

The October 18, 2012 meeting of the Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee was held at 9:30 in Room B35 of the LBJ Building, Boise, Idaho.

ATTENDANCE

Members/Alternate(s) Present:

Liza Fox, Chair, Supervalu
Bill Farnsworth, Office of the CIO
Scott Van Hoff, U.S. Geological Survey
Keith Weber, ISU GIS Center
Jeff Servatius, Idaho State Tax Commission
Danielle Favreau, Dept. of Water Resources

Brian Liberty, Idaho Power
Bonnie Moore, City of Rexburg
Donna Phillips, City of Hayden (Phone)
Loudon Stanford, Idaho Geological Survey (Phone)

Frank Roberts, Innovate (Phone)

Nathan Price, Bureau of Land Management (Phone) Dave Christianson, Kootenai County (Phone)

Gail Eckwright, INSIDE Idaho (Phone) Laurie Ames, Nez Perce Tribe (Phone)

Others Present:

Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO Anne Kawalec, Ada County Assessor's Office Dennis Hill, Pocatello City Dan Narsavage, Ada County Assessor's Office Jack Clark, Ada County Assessor's Office Bruce Godfrey, INSIDE Idaho (Phone)

WELCOME

Liza Fox, Chair, welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

MINUTES

MOTION: Bill Farnsworth moved and Keith Weber seconded a motion to approve the June 21, 2012 minutes as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

RATIFICATION OF NEW MEMBER

MOTION: Danielle Favreau moved and Keith Weber seconded a motion to ratify the appointment of Laurie Ames to the position of Tribal Representative following the resignation of Jeff Cronce; the motion passed unanimously.

THE NATIONAL MAP

Scott Van Hoff provided an overview of some of the changes in the National Map, which has undergone a refocusing of priorities in the past few years. Scott stressed how critical the connection continues to be between state data and the National Map, and encouraged the TWGs to continue or reinvigorate their efforts in developing the Idaho datasets. A request was made for some clarity, perhaps in the form of a workflow process, about how local data is incorporated into the National Map.

NSGIC REPORT

Bill Farnsworth reported on the NSGIC Conference held in September. Discussion had focused on road layers and the many entities involved. Parcel data was also an important issue for all states.

PARCELS PROJECT

Bill Farnsworth reported that new enterprise GIS infrastructure software and hardware is in place and running smoothly. Progress with the MOU has slowed, due to approval procedures for each county, however the Ada County agreement is in the final stages of review.

METADATA STANDARDS

The committee agreed that this item be tabled until the next meeting, as Loudon Stanford was not available during this portion of the meeting.

INSIDE IDAHO

Danielle Favreau reported that Bruce Godfrey and Gail Eckwright of INSIDE Idaho had presented at the State Agency meeting on September 27. An online survey was subsequently sent out to state agencies; Danielle shared the 15 responses from nine agencies and sought guidance from the committee about how to proceed. Discussion followed about whether it was appropriate for the IGC-EC to develop the MOU, given that the authority of ITRMC does not extend beyond executive state agencies. Anyone interested in participating in the subcommittee to contact Danielle, who will convene a meeting of the subcommittee to consider options and report back to the IGC-EC.

GEODETIC CONTROL TWG

MULTI-STATE CONTROL POINT DATABASE

Keith Weber reported that the TWG is still working on populating the multi-state control point database with Idaho data. Several counties are involved and ready to submit data for this effort. Rodney Burch of Dioptra Geomatics has volunteered (one day a week for 6 months) to review survey control points for the database. The TWG is also working on data optimization, which will ultimately improve the database performance on mobile devices, and common wording for control point and survey contracts. Keith provided an overview of the MCPD web map application which is available at http://giscenter.isu.edu/research/Techpg/GC/.

REAL TIME NETWORK AND FUNDING

This is the real time network of GNSS base stations, which are connected to a server. Users with compatible GPS receivers obtain centimeter accuracy and real-time corrections. There have been recent updates to the ISU CORS sites. ISU is working very closely with the Idaho Transportation Dept., which owns some of the base stations. Once the license for the server is purchased, a broad service area will be offered. The license costs \$88,000 - \$100,000; about 50% has been pledged by various parties and additional contribution is being sought.

REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS (RRC)

Keith Weber reported that the East Idaho RRC has three regional areas of focus: structures, transportation, and emergency service zones. Additionally, they are also looking at parcels and control points. Donna Phillips reported that the North Idaho RRC is working on a long-term financial plan as well as the initial focus and direction of the group.

FALL IGC MEETING / GIS DAYS

A GIS Day will be hosted on the ISU campus in Pocatello on Wednesday, November 14th. A tentative schedule is available at http://giscenter.isu.edu/gisday/, this includes a meeting of the Idaho Geospatial Council.

Another GIS Day will be held in Post Falls on November 8. A survey was sent out along with the announcement, asking which layers and datasets are of greatest interest. This north Idaho GIS Day will include a prototype of abilities for the RRC, a presentation from Bill Farnsworth, and the afternoon will be held open for updates.

OTHER BUSINESS

<u>University of Idaho website</u> Liza Fox noted that Idaho's Geological Survey is currently featured at the front of the website. Loudon Stanford talked about the new Idaho map compiled at 1:750,000, which would be available to purchase the following day.

Inter Mountain GIS Users' Conference 2013 March 10-13, sponsored by Northern Rockies URISA. Danielle is chairing and has reserved a venue at the Riverside Hotel, Boise. Although the conference starts at 1:00 on March 10, the morning has been reserved for a possible IGC meeting. March 13 will be a joint conference with the Idaho Professional Land Surveyors.

<u>Framework Data Layers / IGC-EC Focus</u> Danielle noted that the survey about INSIDE Idaho had included a question about which data layers were most important to the respondents' business needs, and another about which issues should be addressed by the IGC-EC. This survey was conducted among state agencies, it was suggested that the survey be extended to the wider community in order to increase the validity of the feedback.

NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 11:30; the next meeting is scheduled for December 20, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO